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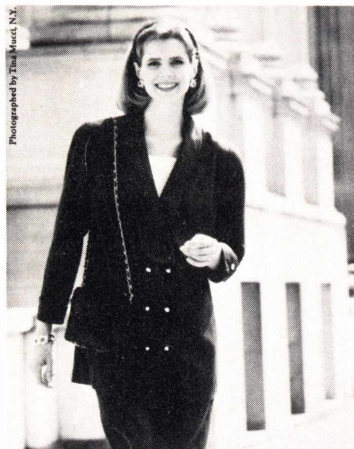
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Editorial Notes

This month, in Washington D.C., our two sponsoring organizations will hold their Joint Annual Meeting. Women accountants have the opportunity to interact with other professionals having similar interests and facing the same types of challenges. A strong network enables us to identify real and anticipated problems and develop innovative solutions on a broader spectrum. The JAM Committee has worked diligently to make this both an interesting and informative meeting. Come join us!

Unique issues facing women in the accounting profession are being addressed on several fronts. The AICPA is converting their Upward Mobility Task Force into a permanent committee thus acknowledging that the myriad of complexities facing women cannot be resolved in one concentrated effort. The American Accounting Association, comprised primarily of accounting educators, has given provisional status to a new Gender Issues section. This should provide a forum for gender related research at their regional and annual meetings.

The Woman CPA has a history of publishing gender related articles and we now try to publish one each issue. Most of our readers are working in accounting and thus are interested in articles of a practical nature. Since becoming editor, I have adopted the "theme" approach. That is, if I have several manuscripts on related topics, I run them in the same issue. Unfortunately, I cannot plan the theme topics very far in advance, because I don't know what manuscripts will successfully complete the review process. We don't

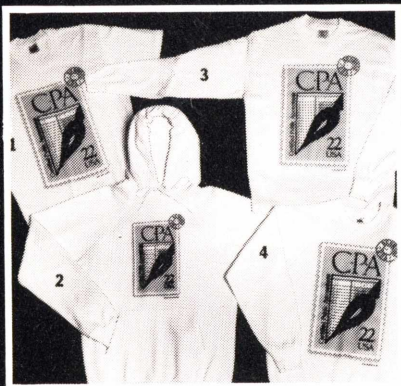
keep a large inventory because papers become obsolete and that is unfair to the author.

As I complete my fourth issue and first full year, I would like to express my appreciation to a group of people who do a great deal of work and receive little credit beyond getting their names in reduced print on the masthead. Our Associate Editor, Jan Colbert, devotes many hours to processing the submitted manuscripts. She sends acknowledgements to the authors, distributes the manuscripts (without the authors' names) to two reviewers, receives and considers the reviewers comments and recommendations, sends it to another reviewer in case of a tie, informs the author(s) of the acceptance, suggested revisions, or rejection of the manuscript, and then sends the accepted manuscript to the editor. Our department editors often solicit and review the manuscripts within their departments. Our reviewers carefully read and comment upon six to ten manuscripts per year, depending upon their areas of specialization. This requires a good deal of time and effort. These people make significant contributions toward making *The Woman CPA* a quality journal and I salute each and every one of them.

In the Winter issue, we will cover JAM, and give you a brief overview of all the interesting programs. We will also have some announcements about staff changes for *The Woman CPA*. Our most important goal is to serve the needs and interests of our readers.

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After November 1 you may also write for an application or more information from: Roland L. Madison, Ph.D., CPA, Chairman, Laurels Scholarship Fund Committee, Department of Accountancy, John Carroll University, University Heights, Ohio 44118

All completed applications must be postmarked by February 15, 1991. The recipients will be notified by April 30, 1991.